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"(b) The complaints were investigated by the Joint Registrar. His report showed, that the only complaint which called for action was the one, concerning Dr. Subbaramiah, a Director, who was reported to be taking fees from the Society for examining proponents contrary to rules. As the Registrar of Co-operative Societies was taking action, no action by Government was considered necessary."

Assignment of lands leased out under the Grow More Food Scheme.

* 27 Q.—Sri K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state what action the Government have taken to assign the lands that have been leased out under the Grow More Food Scheme or occupied by the landless poor for more than five years?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—" If the persons referred to by the Member are landless and poor persons likely to engage themselves in direct cultivation and if they apply for the assignment of land, and if the assignment of the land is unobjectionable action will be taken to assign the land subject to a maximum of 5 acres of dry land."

Grant of public carrier permits to certain P.C.C. Societies in Malabar.

* 28 Q.—Sri M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state how many P.C.C. Societies of Malabar applied in the last one year for converting their private carrier lorries into public carriers; and if so, how many were allowed to do so?

The Hon. Dr. U. KRISHNA RAO:—" Twenty-one P.C.C. Societies of Malabar applied for public carrier permits in respect of their vehicles covered by private carrier permits during the last one year; and so far public carrier permits have been granted to three Societies."

Sri M. NARAYANA KURUP:—" When this question was answered the other day, the then Hon. Minister for Co-operation assured the House that the applications will be considered sympathetically but only three P.C.C. Societies have been allowed the conversion. Is it not a fact that many private owners were granted fresh permits for public carriers?"

The Hon. Dr. U. KRISHNA RAO:—" With regard to the latter part of the question, I want notice. As regards the first part of the question, I still maintain that we considered their requests sympathetically but rejected them."